

ORDINANCE NO. 023-135

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
FUNDING FOR THE OPTION TERM
OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF
CHICAGO THROUGH ITS
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY &
SUPPORT SERVICES FOR
OUTREACH TO INDIVIDUALS IN
NEED OF SHELTER

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") operates a public transportation system in the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago Department of Family & Support Services ("DFSS") is dedicated to supporting coordinated services to enhance the lives of Chicago residents by providing direct assistance and administering resources to a network of community-based organizations, social service providers, and institutions; and

WHEREAS, Homelessness is a matter of public concern that affects our public transportation system; and

WHEREAS, DFSS contracts with outside social service providers ("Delegate Agencies") which are experienced in working with homeless individuals utilizing trains and other Authority spaces for shelter; and

WHEREAS, The Authority's Meeting the Moment: Transforming CTA's Post-Pandemic Future Action Plan contemplates expanded engagements with social service organizations to better connect people experiencing homelessness on our system with social services; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and DFSS entered into an intergovernmental agreement ("IGA"), per Ordinance No. 022-146, with a term through December 31, 2023, and an unfunded one-year option to extend, pursuant to which the Authority agreed to provide up to Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) in funding for additional outreach services by the Delegate Agencies to support unsheltered residents who are utilizing trains and other Authority spaces for shelter; and

WHEREAS, The Authority wishes to exercise the option to extend the agreement with DFSS through December 31, 2024, and requires additional funding for the extension period; and

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WHEREAS, The IGA permits either party to terminate the agreement upon 30 days' notice, contains a confidentiality clause, and requires DFSS to indemnify the Authority; and

WHEREAS, Cooperation between and among governmental agencies and entities through intergovernmental agreements is authorized by the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act (5 ILCS 220/1 et seq.); now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby authorizes additional funding in the not-to-exceed amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for the option term, through December 31, 2024, for the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Chicago through its Department of Family & Support Services for Homeless Outreach Grant Program Funds to provide outreach services to individuals using trains and other Authority spaces as shelter.

SECTION 2. The President of the Authority and the Chairman of the Board, or their designees, are further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

November 15, 2023

Secretary

November 15, 2023